

Application No. 10/701,788
Amendment "D" dated February 8, 2005
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REMARKS

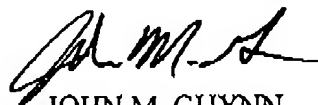
Claims 1-23 and 27-36 remain pending in the application, wherein claims 24-26 have been cancelled without prejudice to pursuing such claims in a later-filed continuation application, and new claims 34-36 have been added. Support for new claims 34-36 is found in allowed claims 1 and 10. Because claims 34-36 each depend from allowed claims 1 or 21, they do not raise any new issues relating to patentability.

The Office Action objects to the specification on the grounds that "it does not have language corresponding to the language now being used in the claims." During an informal telephone interview dated February 8, 2005, the Examiner clarified that there is written description support for the added claim language under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, but that Applicants should nevertheless amend the specification to insert the claim language added by previous amendment in an appropriate location in the specification. Accordingly, Applicants have complied with the Examiner's request by amending paragraph [0060] as indicated above.

In the event that the Examiner finds remaining impediment to a prompt allowance of this application that may be clarified through a telephone interview, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney.

Dated this 8th day of February 2005.

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